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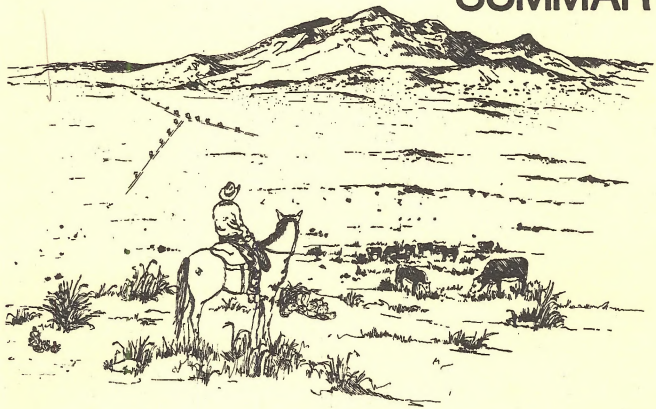

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INTRODUCTION

Purpose

The purpose of the Rangeland Program Summary (RPS) is to describe the selected strategy for managing grazing on 986,092 acres of public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) within the Divide Planning Area of the San Augustine Resource Area. The decision was made to select the Preferred Alternative of the West Socorro Rangeland Management Program Grazing Environmental Impact Statement. The RPS describes how the Preferred Alternative will be implemented.

Setting

The Divide Planning Area (DPA) includes all public land administered by the BLM in Catron and Cibola Counties, a small portion of the extreme eastern part of Valencia County, and a portion of west-central and southwestern Socorro County. The DPA was established to include the former Quemado, Driveway and Malpais planning units. The DPA contains 6,039,519 surface acres of which 986,092 acres are public land (see Map 1).

There are presently 187 grazing allotments within the DPA consisting of 156 livestock operators. The total grazing preference on public land is 153,406 Animal Unit Months (AUMs). The average annual licensed use in the DPA for the last fourteen years is 129,383 AUMs.

The ecological range condition rating of public land is .2 percent excellent, 45 percent good, 46 percent fair, .8 percent poor, and 8

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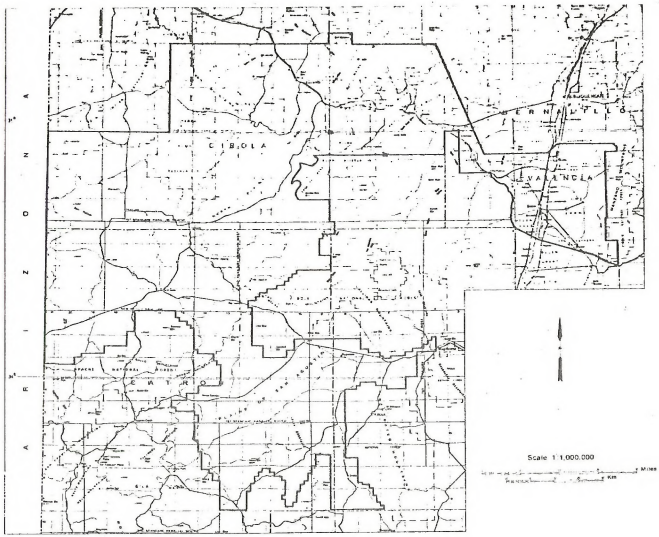
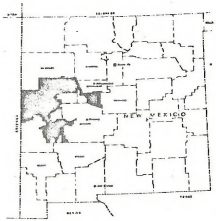




percent is classified as unsuitable for livestock grazing because of adverse topographic conditions or features.

The DPA provides year-round habitat for an estimated 2,200 mule deer and 600-800 pronghorn antelope, and winter habitat for a small number of elk.

THE PROGRAM

Following completion of the West Socorro Rangeland Management Program EIS, the Management Framework Plan (MFP) Step 3 land use decisions were made. The decision for the rangeland management program was based upon data in the Divide Planning Area Unit Resource Analysis (URA), MFP, and EIS and consists of implementing the Preferred Alternative as described in the West Socorro Rangeland Management Program EIS. The Preferred Alternative involves implementing certain management actions based upon an allotment's average range condition, resource conflicts, and acres of public land (more than or less than 640 acres public land). The management actions regarding livestock grazing are season of use, distribution, numbers and kind or class. Some of the management actions are mandatory for implementation; others are optional, depending upon the management category an allotment is placed. Table 1 lists the allotments by management category and priority of implementation. The Table also illustrates the required and optional management actions for each allotment in each management category. The management actions implemented on the allotments in Management Category "E" will be based on the range monitoring studies established on existing Allotment Management Plans (AMPs) and the Experimental Stewardship

Program (ESP). Management actions will not be implemented on allotments in Management Category "F" unless requested by the allottee.

Tentative rangeland improvements that have been identified to improve livestock distribution, improve ecological range conditions and wildlife habitat, and implement season-of-use management include 47 miles of fence, 65 miles of pipeline, drilling or equipping 10 wells, and 27 pit tanks. Other improvements will be identified through consultation.

Vegetative land treatments include control on 299,560 acres of pinyon-juniper and rabbitbrush encroachment by mechanical or herbicidal methods or prescribed burning. Other land treatments include pitting, contour ripping, contour furrowing, and interseeding on 53,760 acres. The rangeland improvements and vegetative land treatments will be developed through consultation with the permittee and other affected parties. Implementation of rangeland improvements and vegetative land treatments will meet a 1:1 benefit/cost ratio and adhere to design specifications and procedures.

BENEFITS AND COSTS OF THE PROGRAM

Benefits of the Rangeland Management Program will be:

1) Increase estimated available livestock forage production from the amount of 141,600 AUMs to meet an anticipated demand of 178,200 AUMs;

2) Range condition acres on public land will be decreased from 8,948 acres of existing poor range condition to 3,554 acres; decrease 446,859 acres of existing fair range condition to 315,070 acres; increase 441,436 acres of existing good range condition to 493,847 acres, and increase 1,892 acres of existing excellent range condition to 86,664 acres (implementing management actions only);

3) Improve 233,978 acres of mule deer habitat located in the Sand Canyon, Cebolla Canyon, Horse Mountain, Pelona Mountain, and Dusty areas to support a mule deer population increase from the existing 2,200 animals to 4,500 animals;

4) Improve 336,000 acres of pronghorn antelope habitat, located in the San Augustine Plains, El Malpais, Red Hill, and Adobe Ranch areas, to support a pronghorn antelope population increase from the existing 600 animals to 1,600 animals;

5) Improve 13,500 acres of public land in the Pelona Mountain area to support a wintering population of 100 elk;

6) Improve and maintain 2,495 acres of wetland and other riparian habitat to provide nesting, resting, and feeding area for waterfowl, shorebirds, and other wetland-riparian dependent wildlife species;

7) Manage habitat utilized by State and Federally listed threatened, endangered, or sensitive plant or animal species residing on or migrating over public lands within the DPA; and

8) Reduce runoff and soil erosion on all public land, within the DPA, by managing rangeland resources in such a manner as to provide for watershed protection needs.

Adverse impacts of the Rangeland Management Program are:

1) Permittees would spend more time and money on maintenance due to the increased number of rangeland improvements;

2) If range monitoring studies indicate a need for reducing livestock numbers, ranch income would be reduced.

IMPLEMENTATION

Consultation and implementation of management actions will take place first by management category ("B" before "D", "D" before "E", etc.) and secondly by the allotment average range condition within each management category. (Refer to Table 3 for a description of the management categories.) For example, in Management Category "B", consultation and implementation of management actions would take place first on an allotment with an average range condition rating of 27 before an allotment with an average range condition rating of 32. Table 1 lists the management categories and the allotments within each management category in priority order of implementation.

The exception to this strategy is that consultation and proposed decisions will be issued on allotments in Category "F" immediately following publication of the RPS. The main reason for this is that BLM

is satisfied with present range condition and management, and by immediately issuing decisions on these allotments, the allottees and BLM can pursue higher priority issues.

Consultation will involve the allottees and other interested parties (target group) consisting of landowners, such as the State Land Commissioner or other lessors, New Mexico Department of Agriculture, Socorro District Grazing Advisory Board, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, Range Improvement Task Force, Soil Conservation Service, and U. S. Forest Service where applicable.

The consultation process for the Management Category "F" allotments will involve an "open house" meeting with the allottees and target group in Quemado, New Mexico and Grants, New Mexico. Primary discussion will be management actions the allottees may request and range monitoring studies. Allottees that did not attend the "open house" meetings will be contacted by letter or telephone to arrange a date and location for consultation.

The consultation process for the Management Categories "B", "D", and "E" allotments will begin with a letter to the Target Group showing a tentative schedule for consulting with the allottees. The target group will inform the BLM if they are interested in participating in developing management actions on a particular allotment. The BLM will then contact the interested target group as to the specific time and location the consultation meeting will take place. Otherwise, it will be up to the allottee to request the target group's input in developing

management actions. The exception to this is that the State Land Commissioner will be contacted prior to each individual consultation meeting if State land is involved.

During consultation on the "B", "D", and "E" allotments, the primary items of discussion will be present range condition, present grazing management, resource conflicts, and management actions needed to improve range condition or mitigate resource conflicts.

A grazing management plan will be written in full cooperation and coordination with the allottee and target group, outlining the management actions to be implemented. Proposed decisions on the "B", "D", and "E" allotments will be issued following completion of the grazing management plan by the Area Manager. The Proposed Decisions will outline the grazing system, proposed range improvements, and objectives. The monitoring studies will determine any future management action changes after the grazing management plan has been implemented.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation and contacts are made for the purpose of involving the public in the planning and decision making process. Numerous contacts have occurred throughout the planning process. These contacts were made by means of meetings, letters, telephone, one-on-one contacts, and news releases.

The public will again be invited to participate in the consultation process resulting in the implementation of the West Socorro Rangeland

Management Program. The BLM will send letters to the target group inviting their input into the development of management actions through the consultation process. This RPS will serve as notice to other interested public of the consultation and implementation process for the Program.

SCHEDULE FOR ISSUING DECISIONS

Table 2 illustrates the schedule for implementing the West Socorro Rangeland Management Program. Proposed decisions for each allotment in Management Categories B, D, and E will follow consultation and development of management actions. The Proposed Decisions will outline the management actions to be implemented and objectives to achieve for each allotment. It is anticipated that 30 decisions will be issued in Fiscal Year 1983 and 83 decisions will be issued in Fiscal Year 1984 before the first RPS update is due to be published and distributed. After consultation with allottees in the "F" Category, a letter will be sent to the allottee in lieu of a proposed decision as a matter of record outlining the topics of discussion concerning the allotment. A proposed decision could also be sent to an allottee in "F" Category if an agreement is not reached through consultation and it is apparent that the allottee will protest a decision.

RANGELAND IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE

The rangeland improvements described in the Program portion of this RPS have been tentatively proposed through consultation with the allottees as needed to develop management actions. Other rangeland

improvements and vegetative land treatments may be proposed during the consultation process. An implementation schedule will not be known until after consultation, however, the annual RPS updates will show the type of proposed rangeland improvements/vegetative land treatments and an implementation schedule.

APPROPRIATIONS

The rate of implementation of the West Socorro Rangeland Management Program will be contingent upon funding.

MONITORING

Monitoring of rangeland resources is necessary to evaluate the effectiveness of implementing season-of-use management, rangeland improvements, the effectiveness of vegetative land treatments, and evaluating initial livestock stocking rates. Rangeland management monitoring studies would be designed to collect data on actual livestock use, utilization of forage species, climatic data, and rangeland ecological condition and trend.

Monitoring studies on the "B", "D", and "F" allotments were established in 1981 and 1982. Monitoring studies on the "E" allotments have been established for 10-14 years.

All allotments in the DPA would be monitored; however, intensity and frequency of monitoring would vary according to the management categories. All allotments in Management Categories "B" and "E" would be intensively monitored. Monitoring studies on allotments in Management

Category "D" would be implemented on the pasture or pastures proposed for intensive management. Allotments in Management Category "F" would be, as a minimum, monitored to the extent of rangeland ecological condition and trend to ensure that range condition does not deteriorate.

Evaluating monitoring studies on a continuing basis would determine any future management actions needed to improve range conditions.

The BLM Socorro District's current wildlife habitat monitoring program consists of the following types of studies.

Habitat condition and trend will be monitored by conducting 3 foot by 3 foot photo plot studies, point quadrat method (collecting point, cover, and density data), and browse utilization transects. Wildlife species utilization studies of various habitats would consist of continuing wintering raptor surveys, small mammal trapping transects, bird count transects, aerial antelope fawning areas and antelope distribution surveys, big game fecal analysis studies, mule deer pellet group transects, mule deer and elk wintering area surveys and wetland/riparian habitat studies.

ACCOUNTABILITY

The first RPS update will be published and distributed by March 1, 1984. The RPS update will summarize the management actions implemented since publication of this RPS. Subsequent RPS updates will be published and distributed annually by March 1 and will summarize the management actions implemented and the results of the monitoring program.

TABLE 1

PRIORITY OF IMPLEMENTATION BY MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category B 1/

Allot. No.	Allotment Name	Fed. Pref.	Big Game Alloc.	14-Year Average Licensed Use	Required Management Actions		Optional Management Actions		First Year	Second Year	Third Year 2/		Fourth Year	Fifth Year 2/	
					Season-of-Use Management	Distribution Management	Adjust Nos. of Livestock	Change in Class or Kind of Livestock	Actual Use	Actual Use	Actual Use	Agreed Use	Actual Use	Actual Use	Agreed Use
0109	Patty's Hole	852	12	707											
0112	Herman Sanchez	312	24	288											
0031	Arroyo Baca	111	0	122**											
0110	W. Horse Mtn.	672	0	623											
0116	Spring Canyon Ranch	514	25	458**											
0126	Limestone Canyon	1,895	36	1,985*											
0010	Kellog Canyon	2,448	0	2,624*											
0012	Kellog Canyon	144	60	157*											
0151	Montoya	156	24	153*											
0022	Augustine	336	9	327*											
0165	Augustine	348	24	275*											
0083	Cat Mountain	240	0	219*											
0111	E. Horse Mtn.	240	14	241											
0064	Evans Well	478	9	460*											
0071	N. Fork Alamocito	312	0	318											
0094	Escondido Creek	1,488	24	1,311											
0051	Emery	836	122	836											
0181	CM	376	0	360*											
0009	Sullivan	408	12	306											
0084	Paul Lund	204	0	203											
0037	Wilbur Hadley Draw	180	0	182*											
0150	Cat Lake	180	12	180											
0001	Twin Peaks	134	0	132											
0003	Quails	132	0	105*											
0149	Williamson	60	0	60											
0095	F. Orona	420	0	513*											
0145	Hale Well	228	228	220*											
0093	Tres Montosas	444	36	406											
0136	Silver Creek	1,284	36	1,320*											
0030	Butler	864	24	431											
0021	San Ignacio Creek	960	12	895*											
0313	Stock Driveway	321	7	174											
0017	Patterson Canyon	221	8	218											
0108	Reynolds	132	0	91											
0078	Patterson	1,804	28	1,587											
0016	Jones Place	144	14	144*											
0088	Mariano Mesa	96	10	96*											
0063	Anderson Peak	900	50	865*											

0011	Orona Community	1,248	0	1,177*
0032	Adobe	7,020	0	4,463
0135	Bill Green	252	0	260*
0026	Horine-White Lake	240	48	258*
0058	Horine-White Lake	3,600	6	3,351
0066	White Water Canyon	301	0	298*
0152	White Water Canyon	24	0	26*
0025	Cow Springs	1,332	24	1,163
0005	Horse Springs	180	0	149
0008	Lapp Ranch	780	24	522
0260	Leandro Well	508	20	374**
0089	Leandro Well	18	0	18*
0101	Chihuahua Lake	2,364	48	1,648
0073	Heavenly Acres	192	0	225
0174	AA	1,901	0	1,867
0018	Tejana Mesa	1,128	24	1,030*
0199	Spears Home	444	0	430*
0106	Raney	408	0	396*
0193	FP	290	0	279*
0190	W. Crockett	324	0	324**
0069	Cerro Prieto	588	55	588*
0029	Crossline	1,152	0	826
0068	Panther Canyon	192	24	173
0090	Panther Canyon	31	0	32
0176	GR	508	0	493*
0099	Adobe	240	0	197
0054	Shaw Canyon	6,936	612	4,980
0048	Curtis Ranch	864	36	746**
0172	OB	391	0	380*
0082	C-N	240	0	211
0055	Kiehne Place	552	12	283
0163	A Mirabal	1,764	0	1,212
0169	EY	189	0	182*
0194	HQ Well	311	19	428
0102	Orona-Largo Creek	708	24	660*
0121	Orona-Largo Creek	24	0	24*
0107	Summers Community	1,792	5	1,883

1/The criteria for placing allotments in this category are: 1) more than 640 acres are involved;
2) the average range condition for the allotment is fair.

2/Stocking rate will be determined through interpretation of range monitoring studies with consultation, and cooperation with the allottees and other interested parties.

*Less than 14 but greater than 7 years licensed use.

**Less than 8 years licensed use.

Management Category O 1/

Allot	Allotment Name	Fed. Pref.	Big Game Alloc.	14-Year Average Licensed Use	Problem or Conflicting Resource 3/	Required Management Actions: Distribution Management	Season-of-Use Management	First Year Actual Use	Second Year Actual Use	Third Year 2/ Actual Use	Third Year 2/ Agreed Use	Fourth Year Actual Use	Fifth Year 2/ Actual Use	Fifth Year 2/ Agreed Use
0098	Arroyo Baca	70	2	60**	P									
0156	Pete Baca Jr.	252	0	251	P									
0180	BS	22	0	22*	P									
0133	Tres Lagunas	600	0	600	P									
0024	Coyote Canyon	2,448	60	2,027	O,A									
0040	Coyote Canyon	36	0	36	O,A									
0171	JB	1,583	0	1,583**	O									
0183	MB	384	0	384*	O									
0159	Cerro Chato	2,448	0	2,349*	O									
0076	York Ranch	11,472	1,253	13,329	O,A									
0161	Cerro Brillante	3,600	0	1,811	A									
0057	Carrizo Creek	1,536	36	844	W									
0096	Mayes Wash	912	24	810	W									
0044	Goat Ranch	720	12	611	W									
0035	Mesa Ranch	504	36	455	W									
0154	Pueblo De Acoma	2,100	0	1,759	O,W									
0160	Los Cerros	2,220	0	2,313**	O,W									
0043	Zuni Plateau	8,840	72	3,132	O,A,W									
0065	Zuni Plateau	36	0	36*	O,A,W									
0053	Lynch Ranch	1,764	24	893**	A,W									
0081	Lynch Ranch	2,100	24	1,449*	A,W									
0056	HQ	2,340	0	992	A,W									
0079	Stokes Flat	2,400	60	2,207	A,W									

1/ The criteria for placing allotments in this category are:

1) The average range condition for the allotment is good or excellent, however, some public lands are in poor condition;

2) There are less than 640 acres public land in allotment with some in poor range condition;

3) There are less than 640 acres public land in allotment and average range condition is fair;

4) All or a portion of the allotment occurs in mule deer habitat, antelope habitat, or a critical watershed area.

2/ Stocking rate will be determined through interpretation of range monitoring studies with consultation, coordination, and cooperation with the allottees and other interested parties.

3/ P - Poor range condition; O - mule deer habitat; A - antelope habitat; W - critical watershed area.

*Less than 14 but greater than 7 years licensed use.

**Less than 8 years licensed use.

Management Category E 1/

Allot No.	Allotment Name	Fed. Pref.	Big Game Alloc.	14-Year Average Licensed Use	Management Action Changes Based on Range Monitoring Studies			First Year	Second Year	Third Year 2/		Fourth Year	Fifth Year 2/	
					Season-of-Use Management	Distribution Management	Adjust Nos. of Livestock	Actual Use	Actual Use	Actual Use	Agreed Use	Actual Use	Actual Use	Agreed Use
0046	Cat Mountain	1,212	36	1,335**										
0115	McBroom	168	0	151										
0047	Ourfee	1,392	60	1,289										
0038	Red Hill South	1,716	14	1,178*										
0023	Box Lake	2,688	36	2,356*										
0007	McBroom	180	0	140										
0087	Mertz	5,304	300	5,874										
0034	F. E. Chavez	168	0	170*										
0092	Agua Fria	3,780	72	3,998*										
0028	Y Ranch	3,993	60	4,446*										
0148	Wahoo Ranch	1,503	72	1,385										
0050	Eagar Red Hill	864	17	643*										
0070	Rancho Alegre	11,880	360	4,066										
0072	Mangas Ranch	2,328	24	2,127										

1/The criteria for placing allotments in this category are: 1) These allotments currently under intensive management such as Allotment Management Plans or Experimental Stewardship Plans.

2/Stocking rate will be determined through interpretation of range monitoring studies with consultation, coordination, and cooperation with the allottees and other interested parties.

*Less than 14 but greater than 7 years licensed use.

**Less than 8 years licensed use.

Management Category F [1]

Allot no.	Allotment Name	Fed. Pref.	Big Game Alloc.	14-Year Average Licensed Use	Management Actions Requested by Allottee to Improve Range Conditions: Season-of-Use	Distribution Management	Adjust Livestock Nos.	First Year	Second Year	Third Year [2]	Fourth Year	Fifth Year [2]
0097	Tanque De Caballos	108	0	108								
0020	Wilbur Wadley Draw	96	0	96**								
0147	Kinsely Canyon	120	0	120**								
0033	Castillo-Mangas	132	0	131								
0074	Crosby Canyon	72	0	36**								
0113	Crobsy Canyon	3	0	3**								
0168	Tarpley Well	132	0	183								
0173	EC	60	0	60**								
0061	Mariano Hill	60	2	55								
0095	Datil Airstrip	48	0	40*								
0114	Datil Airstrip	3	0	3*								
0104	Pueblito Ranch	48	0	26*								
0192	W. Emery	36	0	36**								
0128	Williams Home	48	0	48								
0105	N. Fork Alamocito	24	0	24*								
0184	EJ	12	0	12*								
0118	Alamito Ranch	6	0	6**								
0049	Baca Spring	76	2	56**								
0141	Sawtooth Mtn.	120	0	120								
0142	Oak Springs	36	0	36								
0014	Half Circle D	60	0	75								
0162	N.J Porter	288	0	288*								
0155	Arrosa	1,500	0	571								
0125	N. Horse Mtn.	72	0	6*								
0143	N. Horse Mtn.	48	0	4*								
0015	Upper Patterson	72	0	72								
0039	P. Chavez Est.	12	0	12								
0182	YM	24	0	24*								
0067	E. Rito Creek	540	0	388								
0153	E. Slade	972	0	788**								
0158	Ventana Ridge	518	0	522*								
0187	BR	336	0	366*								
0179	MB	12	0	12*								
0120	Spears Home	264	0	242*								
0062	Red Hill NOrth	1,243	24	910								
0132	W. Bar Ranch	48	0	44								
0166	HQ	96	0	96								
0167	Olguin Draw	120	0	120								
0157	Lewis Bright	48	0	48								

0117	N. Fox Mtn.	108	11	111
0123	Goat Tank Canyon	288	0	233*
0085	Patterson Canyon	192	0	180
0103	Lopez Draw	228	0	205
0004	Criswell	960	74	938
0006	Criswell	8	0	8
0100	Gatlin Lake	576	24	574
0027	Burnett	108	0	106
0189	WO	462	0	446*
0077	Emery	96	28	96*
0019	Salt Lake E.	120	0	121**
0036	Salt Lake W.	12	0	12**
0041	Richard M. Chavez	360	0	261
0170	TA	276	0	315
0045	Salt Lake	36	0	35
0075	Davila Salt Lake	48	0	47
0127	Fox Mtn.	156	0	162
0175	ER	151	0	151
0138	Iron Mtn.	120	0	132
0193	VS	168	0	162
0140	Lehew	144	0	144
0185	P & S	87	0	85**
0146	Monticello Canyon	72	0	72**
0177	HP	156	0	151*
0178	ML	63	0	63*
0137	Pie Town Dike	55	0	55*
0144	NM-AZ State Line	48	0	41
0042	Rito Creek	60	0	60
0186	MR	24	0	23*
0091	Cerro Prieto	24	0	24*
0139	Pie Town Tr 15	8	0	8*
0164	Lew Daniels	12	0	8**
0124	Hale Well	6	11	6*
0002	Qualls r	120	0'	120*
0086	Cat Mtn.	144	0	144*
0130	Poverty Creek	24	0	48

1/the criteria for placing allotments in this category are: 1) These allotments have an average range condition of good or excellent with no public lands in poor condition;

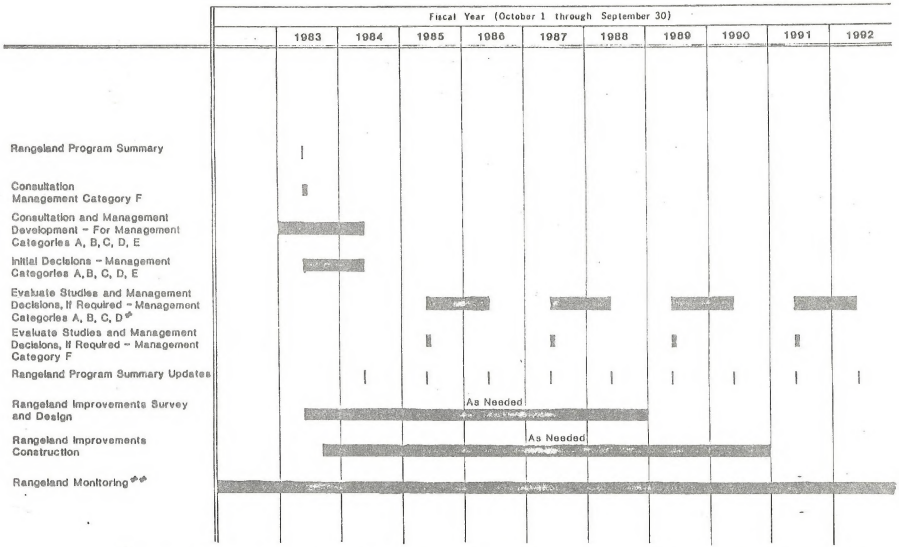
2) Allotments whose average range condition is fair and consist of 640 acres or less of public land with no public land in poor range condition.

2/Stocking rate will be determined through interpretation of range monitoring studies with ocnsultation, coordination, and cooperation with the allottees and other interested parties.

*Less than 14 but greater than 7 years licensed use.

**Less than 8 years licensed use.

TABLE 2 - Implementation Schedule



*E Category Allotments would be regrouped with B Category following consultation.

**Includes Wildlife Habitat Monitoring

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TABLE 3

ALLOTMENT MANAGEMENT CATEGORIES
AND MANAGEMENT ACTIONS WITHIN EACH MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category A - Allotment average condition - poor; greater than 640 acres public land.

1. Adjust Numbers of Livestock. (Required Action)
2. Season-of-Use Management - For each pasture a minimum 12-month continuous rest is required within the 48-month period following the effective date of the final decision, to begin no later than 24 months following the same date. Rangeland improvements required to implement. (Required Action)
3. Distribution Management - Rangeland improvements, initiate supplement/salting recommendation. (Optional Action)
4. Change in Class or Kind of Livestock. (Optional Action)

Management Category B - Allotment average condition - fair; greater than 640 acres public land.

1. Season-of-Use Management - A minimum of one spring (4/1-6/30) one summer (7/1-9/30)*, and one fall (10/1-11/30)* rest with the 48-month period following the final decision, for each pasture. Rangeland improvements required to implement. (Required Action)
2. Distribution Management - Rangeland improvements, initiate supplement/salting recommendation. (Required Action)
3. Adjust Numbers of Livestock. (Optional Action)
4. Change in Class or Kind of Livestock (Optional Action)

Management Category C - Allotment average condition - poor; less than 640 acres public land.

1. Season-of-Use Management - A minimum of one spring (4/1-6/30)*, one summer (7/1-9/30)* and one fall (10/1-11/30)* rest with the 48-month period following the effective date of the final decisions, for each pasture. Rangeland improvements required to implement. (Required Action)
2. Distribution Management - Rangeland improvements, initiate supplement/salting recommendation. (Optional Action)
3. Adjust Numbers of Livestock. (Optional Action)
4. Change in Class or Kind of Livestock. (Optional Action)
5. Exclusion of Public Lands from State and Private Lands. (Optional Action)

Management Category D - Allotment average condition - good/excellent and having some public lands in poor condition; average fair condition allotments, public lands less than 640 acres, having some public lands in poor condition.

1. Distribution Management - Rangeland improvements, all pastures to improve condition; initiate supplement/salting recommendation (public land) on pastures having any public lands in poor condition. (Required Action)
2. Season-of-Use Management - For pastures having any public lands in poor condition, recommend one spring (4/1-6/30)*, one summer (7/1-9/30)* and one fall (10/1-11/30)* rest with the 48-month period following the effective date of the final decision. No recommendations for other pastures. (Required Action)

Management Category E - Under intensive management (AMPs, Stewardship).

1. Evaluate Studies. (Required Action)
2. Management Changes Based on Studies. (Required Action)
   a. Season of Use
   b. Distribution Management _ rangeland improvements
   c. Adjust Numbers of Livestock

Management Category F - Allotment Average condition - good/excellent, having no public lands in poor condition. Average fair condition, public lands less than 640 acres; no public lands in poor condition.

1. Rangeland Improvements to Improve Range Condition. (Optional)

* Plus or minus 15-day flexibility.

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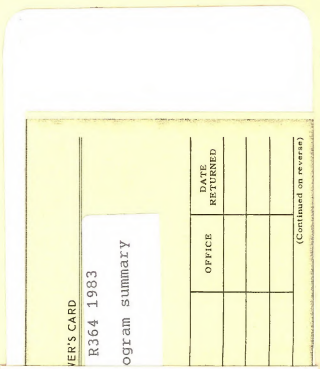

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